

where the funding came from. That's been clarified. We're talking about 39,500 dollars, is what we're talking about. Basically, this amendment brings us somewhat current. We're in a communications society and this is going to help with the communication between some campuses, and I think it's perhaps long overdue and, again, I ask for your support in adoption of the amendment and Senator Coordsen can have the remaining time.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Senator Chizek, Senator Hall. I haven't the foggiest idea what Senator Bernard-Stevens was talking about. I don't know who he talked to. All I know about this issue up front and directly is that the issue was brought to me by the association that all of the community technical colleges belong to. From that, I would think that we could draw a direct conclusion that it, in fact, was a necessary expenditure; that it wasn't a partial use of funds that would serve no benefit. I share with Senator Chizek a great reluctance to use the...a special contingency fund of the Department of Labor for uses that it has been appropriated for in the past. As a matter of fact, I'm quite uncomfortable with the inclusion of 150,000 dollars to DED for job training or whatever reasons we're giving in the current budget that we are working on at this point in time. I do think it's a good use of the money. I realize, of course, as I said a little bit facetiously some minutes ago, that it is too understandable and too little amount of money, but it will serve a good and useful purpose. It will bring us on-stream. I think it will allow us to use a prior investment and what certainly will be an ongoing greater investment in telecommunications in the future in regard to education at all levels in the State of Nebraska and it will certainly help in the education of health care professionals in the remote area. So I would encourage, again, the adoption of this amendment. Thank you, Madam President.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Coordsen. We will now vote on the Hall amendment. All those in favor please vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Senator Coordsen.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Madam President, given that it is the adjournment hour, a call of the house and a roll call vote, please.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Had a request for call of the house.

SENATOR COORDSEN: And I will take call-ins.